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In re Application of:)
Holly H. HOGREFE et al.) Group Art Unit: 1652
Serial No.: 08/957,709) Examiner: D. Ramirez
Filed: October 24, 1997) Confirmation No.: 2438
For: POLYMERASE ENHANCING FACTOR)
(PEF) EXTRACTS, PEF PROTEIN)
COMPLEXES, ISOLATED PEF)
PROTEINS, AND METHODS FOR)
PURIFYING AND IDENTIFYING THEM)

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AMENDMENT

Applicants now respond to the Final Office Action mailed August 9, 2005

(“Action”). On February 9, 2006, Applicants filed a Notice of Appeal and a Petition for Three Month Extension of Time. Applicants are filing a Request for Continued Examination and a Petition for Two Month Extension of Time with this Amendment.

Amendments to the claims appear at pages 2 to 5.

Remarks begin at page 6.